

soon to see building operations begun. Last February the Sunday morning meeting was transferred from our home to the new chapel in Koishi Kawa Ku.

The Sunday school at our home has cost, I think, more labor than any meeting we have; yet for the past year it was so well attended that one felt quite repaid for any trouble. When, just three Sundays before we moved, only one little girl came, who told us the rest would not come. We blamed the priests again, and started to get up another, and had managed to get five children to come when we were obliged to move to another part of the city.

The Bible-lass on Tuesdays was well attended till after Christmas.

A woman's meeting on Tuesday afternoons was started in our home in February. The attendance was rather fluctuating to be satisfactory.

All the year we have had quite a number of inquirers; one of these was persuaded to accept Christ as his Saviour. Also an English pupil of Miss Oldham's, who always attended our meetings regularly, besides being taught by Miss Oldham herself, has become a Christian.

We have done a considerable amount of visiting among the people; sometimes accompanied by our helpers, sometimes alone. There are some places where we are always welcomed, others where, after the first time, we are shown plainly they do not wish us to call, others again who do not welcome us even the first time. Then in order to get our passports we must teach English, so we have had our usual share of this to do.

As much time as possible has been given to the study of the language.

The girls in the Home have been under Miss Wirck's care during the past year. Of my own particular girls O Tomi San and O Sato San became Christians, as also Miss Oldham's little girl. Besides these we have seen five buried with their Saviour in baptism from our U-higome work. There are others from our schools and meetings who wish to accept Christ, but cannot on account of fathers or husbands.

This is the last report I can have the pleasure of giving in connection with Miss Oldham. We have lived together very happily at Enoki Machi for two years; and it was with sad hearts we packed up first her things and sent them to her new home and then, about ten days later, my belongings were taken over to a large, dirty, old, rambling house in Koishi Kawa Ku, which the mission has rented for the Girls' Home and Training School for Bible women. With the aid of carpenter, paper-hanger, etc., we have made the place quite respectable.

On the first of April I was called upon to welcome the girls again to my heart and home, and happy I was to do so, for I had learned to love them very dearly when they were with us before. Henceforth my work is the entire care of these girls. Besides this, the Training School for Bible women has been put under my care.

The mission here, after long and K. D. C. for heartburn and sour stomach.

careful deliberation, decided to take no more girls into the home.

We have so felt our need of Bible-women, that the training school has out of sheer necessity been started. Have had four applications already—two who will support themselves—the other two are willing to do anything in the way of manual labor in order to get the training necessary for the work. Oh, for an industrial school, that this might be possible! And it is possible if the friends at home will take hold and help. One Methodist mission school here has pupils who support themselves by embroidery, hem-stitching, knitting, etc. The articles are sent to America to be sold. They find the demand greater than the supply.

It is very much better to let the Japanese work for their own support instead of just giving it to them. They make better and stronger Christians, and therefore better helpers. Of course if an industrial school is started it will take some time before it can possibly pay for itself. Teachers have to be employed, pupils taught, and after this it would take some time before the work would be ready for the market. Then there is the expense of keeping the pupils in food and clothing during this time. In the meantime, what must I do with those who are ready to work, yet there is no work for them, and we need helpers so much. I have thought much of the great and responsible work which God has seen fit to place in my hands, and tremble upon entering it. I have not accepted it in my own strength, but on His, feeling that He who has given me such a work will with the same give strength to perform it. But how near I must always be to Him to get that strength! Pray for me, dear sisters, that I may never take one step alone. I have felt strengthened, knowing that I had your prayers in the past. Do not fail in this my hour of greatest need.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your many kindnesses during the year. So many have written helpful, encouraging letters. I must close, wishing you every blessing in your convention. Though not there in person, will be in spirit, and my prayers shall mingle with yours.

"Though sundered far by faith we meet
Around one common mercy-seat."

Lovingly your sister,
MARY M. RITCH.

Portage la Prairie contributed \$7 to the work.

Blenheim—Two sisters contributed to the work.

Glencairn—Heartily in sympathy. Contributed, although not an auxiliary.

Isolated ones in Almonte, Belwood, Burgoyne, Cherry Valley, Iona and Orangeville contribute to our treasury.

The following Sunday-schools remembered the Japan work. Galt, Kilsyth, Portage la Prairie and Cecil St., Toronto.

We cannot close without thanking all who, by faithful, loving service, have aided in the work. Their reward the Master will not overlook. We

trust that the glance we have taken at the things that are behind has not been without its benefits; but we may not linger with the past—its opportunities are forever beyond our grasp. Let us then go forward, increasing our efforts for the extension of the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.

L. V. RITCH,
Cor. Sec.

Ontario Christian Woman's Board of Missions.

The following sums have been received from May 25th, 1895, to June 3rd, 1895:

Auxiliary at Bowmanville.....	\$ 6 00
" Galt.....	5 00
" Everton.....	19 00
" Lobo.....	10 50
" London.....	11 50
" Erin Village.....	2 80
" Glencoe.....	5 00
" Walkerton.....	4 25
Church at Nassagaweya (coll.)	2 00
Miss Belle Brown, Iowa.....	2 00

Foreign Missions.

Auxiliary at Toronto (Cecil St.)	\$17 00
" Warton.....	3 45
" Guelph.....	5 00
Mrs. Lhamon, Toronto (Cecil St.)	5 00
M. N. Stephens, Glencairn....	7 00
Miss Belle Brown, Iowa.....	5 00
Mr. and Mrs. Muir, Belleville..	5 00
Mrs. Angle, Forks Road.....	1 00
Mrs. John Watt, Pelee Island..	1 00
Mrs. J. D. Stephens, Georgetown.....	1 00
Collection at Convention.....	7 47

JENNIE FLEMING,
Treasurer.

Kilsyth, June 10, 1895.

Letter from Sister C. L. Smith.

LONDON, Ont., June 4th, 1895.

DEAR SISTERS OF ONTARIO: Through your kindness, it has been my privilege to attend the June meeting, just closed in London. Having thus met and learned to love a small representation of your sisterhood, I desire to send greetings to the many just as consecrated and lovely who could not be in convention.

Your work has interested me much, and I go back feeling that some of us on "the other side" must look to our laurels. I felt sorry your initials could not have been preserved the same with those of our organization, but as there are some advantages in the new name, we must forego sentimental attachments.

I wish it were in my power to make you understand how assiduously and faithfully your representatives labored on this constitution. For hours together, your committee toiled, writing and re-writing, conferring as to legal points and technicalities that must of necessity enter into such a document. Then their productions were brought before

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All the clogged avenues of the
Bowels, Kidneys and Liver,
carrying off gradually without weakening the system, all the impurities and foul humors of the secretions; at the same time
Correcting Acidity of the Stomach,—curing Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Headaches, Dizziness, Heartburn, Constipation, Dropsy, Jaundice, Salt Rheum, Erysipelas, Scrofula, Palpitation, Nervousness, and General Debility.
All these and many other similar complaints yield to the happy influence of
BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS.

the whole body assembled to be read and re-read and read again. Now it was ready for discussion. Each article was taken up and carefully considered. Untiringly your devoted women sat in these deliberations, denying themselves the privilege of the Co-operation sessions, and scarce taking time so much as to eat or to sleep. When the last article, the last section and the last amendment, had been discussed and adopted, they still felt that their work was imperfect in some details. The most efficient and conscientious workers find it most difficult to satisfy themselves, for their ideals are highest. If you, my sisters, possessed of the same high ideals, detect some imperfections in the finished work, you will remember the prayers, the labors, the weariness with which it was accomplished, and say "It is good." The defects, if such there really be, will remedy themselves with time and experience. If all will labor as hard to carry out the best intents of the constitution as these sisters have done to frame it, a marvelous era is before you.

The discussion as to the apportionment of funds for home and foreign work seemed complicated by the fact that some auxiliaries send in their contributions labeled "For home work only," while not a few ticket and check their funds straight through to the "foreign" field. Now the field is the world, and I would urge upon all auxiliaries the advantage of leaving your officers free to carry out the instructions and resolutions of the conventions, in whose decisions you will always be entitled to a voice. Decide in convention assembled what will be the best plan of work for the year, and what amount or per cent. of funds shall be appropriated to this or that special point. Then turn